

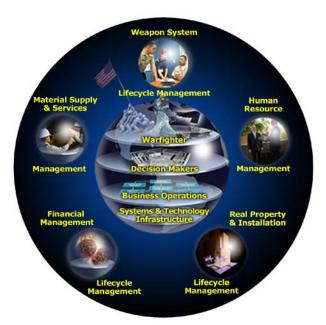
## BEA 7.1 provides users with a more current, capable tool

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ARLINGTON, Va. – Customers now have access to the Business Enterprise Architecture (BEA) 7.1 informational release.

"BEA 7.1 helps defense business system owners and program managers make informed decisions in support of the Department of Defense (DoD) business enterprise," said Johnny Burton, BTA Architecture Information and Management (AI&M) Chief. BEA 7.1 features structural changes and content updates to BEA 7.0 in three major areas: Human Resources, Operational Activity and Military Health.

First, BEA 7.1 focuses on improved support within the Human Resources Management (HRM) line of business. The addition of more well-defined HRM information standards enables the BEA to provide more guidance to implementers of interoperable business systems.



Customers can access BEA 7.1 via the <u>BEA website</u> located at: http://www.bta.mil/products/bea.html

Second, the BEA's functional representation of the BMA, called the Operational Activity Decomposition Tree (OV-5a), was enhanced to provide a more accurate depiction of the functions associated to HRM. The enhancements provide improved support to the portfolio management processes within the BMA.

Third, the BTA further improved BEA support to the HRM line of business through the incorporation of the Military Health System (MHS) technical standards. The MHS is designed to promote the health of the DoD TRICARE beneficiary population.

BEA provides structure to the DoD Business Mission Area (BMA). It defines DoD's business transformation priorities, business capabilities required to support these priorities and the combination of enterprise systems and initiatives that enable those capabilities.

BEA 7.1 is an informational release and should not be used for compliance nor uploaded to the DoD Information Technology Portfolio Repository (DITPR). BTA will incorporate BEA 7.1 into BEA 8.0 which is scheduled for release in March 2011.

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